IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPLN. NO.271 OF 2007
IN
CRI.APPEAL NO. 176 OF 2007

Shehab Hakimuddin Rajkotwala ..Applicant

Vs.

State of Maharashtra & Anr. ..Respondents

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Mr.Vaibhav G.Bagade counsel for Applicant
Mr.H.V.Mehta, counsel for C.B.I.
Mr.A.S.Shitole, A.P.P. for State

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CORAM: SMT.V.K.TAHILRAMANI,J.
DATE : MARCH 9, 2007

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1. Heard the learned counsel for the applicant, learned counsel for C.B.I. and the learned A.P.P. for the State.

2. The applicant has been convicted under Section 13(1)(d) read with 13(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and sentenced to S.I. for one year. The applicant is now seeking bail.

3. Mr.Bagade, the learned advocate appearing for the applicant states that the applicant was on bail

throughout the trial and he has not misused the liberty granted to him. This statement is not controverted by the prosecution. Mr. Bagade further submitted that sentence imposed on the applicant is only one year and the appeal is not likely to be heard within that time. The fine amount is paid. Hence, the applicant may be released on bail.

4. Looking to the evidence on record and the above position, I am inclined to release the applicant on bail.

5. The applicant to be released on bail in the sum of Rs.20,000/-/- (Rs.Twenty Thousand only) with one or two sureties to make up the said amount.

6. Application is disposed of.

[V.K.Tahilramani, J.]